

whether the electric energy is generated in the establishment or elsewhere. In each of the above-mentioned classes, prime movers and electric motors normally in use should, if possible, be shown separately from those idle or in reserve.

(B) Returns of industrial production, as comprehensive as it may be possible in the case of each country to furnish with a sufficient degree of accuracy.

(C) Statistical series in the form either of absolute figures or relative figures referring to a period taken as a basis of comparison, at regular intervals, if possible quarterly or preferably monthly, showing the variations of the industrial activity of the most representative branches of production.

VI.—*Index Numbers of Prices.*

Index numbers:—

(a) Showing the general movement of wholesale prices, to be compiled and published monthly, and

(b) Showing the general movement of the cost of living, to be compiled and published at least quarterly.

The cost-of-living indices may be based on data relating to a single town or to several towns selected as being representative and taken either separately or collectively.

Each statement of index numbers mentioned above shall contain a reference to a short official publication showing the items the prices of which have been used, and the methods employed in the calculation of the indices.

In addition to the indices mentioned above, the wholesale prices, in absolute or relative form, of the principal individual commodities shall, so far as practicable, be published for the same periods.

ARTICLE 3.

The High Contracting Parties, in order to facilitate comparison of the statistics of external trade of different countries, undertake to adopt for the purpose of the compilation of this class of statistics the principles set out in Annex I, Part I.

The High Contracting Parties further undertake, as far as the means of investigation at their disposal permit, to prepare, for the purposes of experiment, the statistical tables specified in Annex I, Part III.

ARTICLE 4.

The High Contracting Parties express their general acceptance of the principles set out in Annex II for the compilation of fishery statistics, and agree to apply them as far as possible in their respective fishery statistics.

ARTICLE 5.

The High Contracting Parties express their general acceptance of the principles underlying Annex III for use, so far as practicable, as a basis for their statistics of the production of the minerals and metals referred to in Article 2—IV, whenever the production of such minerals and metals in the country concerned is considered to be of national importance, and agree, in the event of their compiling statistics of the production of other minerals and metals, to do so on similar lines.